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HON. W. B. ALLISON.—A Presidential Candidate.



Major Lynch.







Politicians ought to tell the truth. Put a small man in a big position and he will forget himself. Why is justice in Washington like the weather?

Because it is changeable. The justice that is meted out to the white man not given to the negro.

There is but little hope for the negro in the South.

The Bee editor is not looking for an office and neither does he want one.

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This world was not made for the white man alone.

It is not well to tell all you know.

Be careful of what you say and to whom you say it.

Don't be too hasty in coming to a conclusion.

The Maryland politicians have not been cared for as yet.

Will the negro vote ever become a factor in American body politics?

Be what you say you are nothing more.

Deception is sooner or later detected.

An honest man is a truthful man.

You should do nothing that is distasteful to good society.

It is not the person who grins in your face, that should be regarded as your friend.

Don't place too much confidence in the person who pretends friendship.

Be honest with your fellow man.

The best policy is when you can not do a thing say so.

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What has become of the repeal the civil service law?

Don't forget how the negroes fought on San Juan Hill.

General Miles thinks well of the negro soldiers.

And yet not a negro officer has been appointed in the regular army.

The man who speaks the truth is the man to trust.

Don't be too impetuous in your deliberation.

The man who thinks he knows it all is generally affected with the big head.

There was tyranny in the schools on the part of certain school officers.

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**STORY OF A \$5. GOLD PIECE**

Given to a Street Sweeper for a Penny, It  
Reaches Its Owner After 45 Years.

"Forty-five years ago," remarked a well-known resident of Washington, "I was one of the many boys who did not have as much spending money as I could have gotten rid of easily. About the only way I could get spending money was to earn it. This I did by doing odd jobs, carrying water, for few houses were supplied by Potomac water in those days, and in nearly every other way that came a boy's way.

One evening I was especially anxious to get some money, and I with another boy, who, like myself was armed with a broom, we entered into the business of crossing sweepers, depending on the kindness of passers-by to chip in a few pennies. The place we picked out was in front of a drugstore, at the corner of Seventh and Louisiana avenue. There was a great deal of traffic between those two points, and the mud was very deep in consequence of a heavy slush about the wind up of winter. Business was very good, or, at least, the passers-by were, and in less than two hours we had collected about 45 cents between us, for we had agreed to divide equally. The last piece of money handed to me I thought to be a penny, and as I afterwards learned the giver also thought so, but when we counted up in the light of the drugstore it proved to be a five-dollar gold piece. I knew that whoever gave it to me supposed it was a penny, and I had scruples about spending it.

"My partner did not insist on it, for it was regarded more as a find than a part of our earnings, so that five-dollar gold piece remained my property until two years ago, when I surrendered it to its owner, who proved the property by describing the three letters which he himself had cut on it. At the time mentioned I was in Athens, Greece, having gone there to witness the Olympic games. One evening, while at a hotel in Athens, I noticed on the register the name of a boyhood friend, although he was ten years older than I was, and I sent my card to him. It proved to be he. I had not seen him for thirty years, for he had lived abroad the greater part of his life. He is a well-known American lawyer, who has practiced his profession in Rome for over twenty-five years.

"Of course, we got to talking over old times in Washington, and about the boys in our day. Incidentally he mentioned the boy who was my partner on the street-sweeping transaction, and something put it into my head to tell of getting the five-dollar gold piece. To my surprise, the Roman lawyer said:

"I remember you both, and the particular night you speak of you were a room comfort and your associate had a broom which had no handle. And I am the man who handed you the five-dollar gold piece, which had the letters 'E. R. L.' cut on it."

"Of course, I handed him the coin, which, as you may imagine, was somewhat worn, for I carried it for many years on my watch chain.

"We spent a very pleasant week together, and on my return there came with me two Roman scarfpins. One of them, you see, I wear. Dr. —, my dentist friend and street-sweeping partner, has the other. Now, are you willing to agree with me that this is a small world after all? To think I had to go all the way to one of the first cities started in this world to find the owner of this coin."

What He Meant.

The South Africans still keep a firm hold on their superstitions in spite of the efforts of the civilized English reformer and the British soldier. Probably the Zulus are the most intelligent race of black men on the globe to-day—500,000 of them dwell just north of Natal, which has been developed of late until it is known as the garden spot of Africa.

One peculiar custom of the Zulus is the "smelling out" to discover a thief or criminal. Some cattle die recently and a smelling out was held. Three hundred Zulus formed a circle, one-half those who had lost cattle; the others had an interest in knowing who the sorcerer was. In the middle of the circle a dozen men dressed in palm leaves had buffalo hide drums hanging from their shoulders. On these they beat while the circle moved slowly, the women crooning a weird song. This is the first process in catching the witch.

With a sudden shriek the priest, his face streaked with white paint and wearing a pair of horns, sprang through the line and began to go through the wildest contortions, spinning about on one foot and beating himself. All the time the women became more noisy, screaming loudly that the name of the witch be revealed. When the priest had worked himself up to the point of collapse he abruptly ceased and retired to consult his assistants. He was then supposed to be naming the witch. The silence was tragic, and all present held their breath.

The priest walked into the middle of the circle again to the beating of the drums and looking all about the circle twice, finally fixed his gaze. Every one followed it. Part of the circle fell back, leaving one poor wretch standing alone. A gasp of relief went up from the others, who could hardly contain themselves while the priest described the horrible sorceries this man had used. After this the whole camp pounced on the witch and tore off his charms, bracelets, his kuroos or shield and took his weapons. The fellow was dragged to the banks of a stream, where he pointed out the "abuti," a little root in the edge of the water, which caused the death of the cattle. After that he was tortured.

What He Meant.

On the occasion of a recent reception at Naples, Australia, the school children of the town, after being duly complimented by his excellency from County Tyrone on the hearty manner in which they had rendered the national anthem, were solemnly assured that if they would be sure to reach the top of the tree! This mixed metaphor, being commented upon, a comrade of his excellency retorted: "Sure, it was an ask-tree he meant, bedad."

**SMUGGLERS OF THE KEYS**

The Midnight Traffic Carried  
On With Profit in the  
Florida Straits.

A DANGEROUS CALLING.

The System of Signalling By Which  
the Boats Locate and Recognize One Another.

A Boatload of Arms and Ammunition  
Which Was Exchanged for Another  
Boatload of Cuban Rum and Cigars—A  
Business That Is Nearly All Profit But  
Carries Great Risks.

Many a resident of Key West and Havana laid the foundation of his fortune by means of the secret exchange of rum and tobacco, for flour, firearms and ammunition, at midnight on board of swift-sailing boats that met midway in the Florida Straits, and were back home again in a few hours with their cargo of contraband goods.

In the spring of 1896 the writer was taking a leisurely trip among the Florida keys with Key West as headquarters. He had heard that smuggling was going on. He knew that certain cigar makers of Key West and Tampa were underselling the market in certain lines of cigars, made from Cuban tobacco. Rumor had it that Cuban rum was a popular poor man's drink on account of its cheapness, despite the fact of a high United States revenue tax. But inquiry was at first fruitless.











## GROWING GOLD.

The Mystery Explained by a Chemist's Experiments.

It is generally supposed that the nuggets which are found in the river gravels of Klondike and other auriferous regions have been brought down by the rivers direct from the reefs in which the gold originally lay.

Many practical miners and scientific men, however, have long been of the opinion that this cannot be the case, for no masses of gold of so large a size are ever found in the reefs themselves. They believe, on the other hand, that the nuggets have grown where they are now found, just as a crystal of salt will grow in strong brine; but with so insoluble a substance as gold it is difficult to understand how such growth could take place. Experiments carried out in Australia have shown that decaying vegetable matter will cause the deposition of gold from solutions of gold salts, but these salts are not known to occur in reefs.

The mystery is now solved. A Slavonic chemist named Zsigmondy has just shown that gold itself can exist in a soluble form. By acting on a slightly alkaline solution of a gold salt with formaldehyde and submitting the product to dialysis he has succeeded in obtaining gold in a colloidal condition, in which state it is soluble in water and can be precipitated by the addition of common salt. It is washed out by the rain, carried away in solution by the rivers, and deposited in the river gravels wherever there is any precipitation. In the course of ages a large nugget may be formed in this way.

## Courageous Animals.

In North America one of the largest of the weasel family is the "fisher," a very large, long-furred polecat, living mainly by the water-side, and like many others of the tribe very partial to fish. It weighs about sixteen pounds, and its long, richly colored fur is exported in great quantities to different parts of Europe, though not often used in this country. A trapped "fisher" will attack anyone who comes in reach of the trap chain, and when free will beat off any dog of twice its size. But perhaps the most striking example of the courage of the smaller species yet recorded is that known as the Indian mongoose, which is quite as courageous. One of these, which was kept in a menagerie, broke through into the next cage, and there attacked and killed a leopard which was three times its own size.

The Indian mongoose possesses all the courage of the polecat, together with amiability and a "regulated" mind. It turns its pounce and prowess to good ends, and we imagine it to stand at the head of the list of the smaller animals in quality as well as quantity as demanded as a mark of intrepidity. There is no doubt that the mongoose realizes the deadly nature of the cobra's bite. Its intense excitement is strong evidence of this. But a mongoose has been known to fight just as bravely against other foes. One was seen to attack and drive off a large greyhound which it fancied was hostile to it.

## He Said Grace.

The old United Presbyterian kirk at Savaeh, in Scotland, had a minister some sixty years ago named David Caw, a very diminutive man, standing only about five feet two inches. He married a strapping, handsome lass, some five or six inches taller than he, and her name was Grace Wilson. The Sunday after the wedding he got a neighboring minister to preach for him, so that he could sit with his bride on the first Sunday. The minister was a good deal of a wag, so Mr. Caw made him promise faithfully that he would not allude to the sermon to him, his bride or the fact of the marriage, but Mr. Caw nearly sank through the floor when the text was given out, Ephesians III, 8: "Unto me, who am less than the least of all saints, is this Grace given."

## Writing on Glass.

A patent has been granted in Germany for a new method of writing on glass, using an aluminum point. The glass which is to be written on is first moistened with vinegar and the writing or drawing made with the point. Fine particles of aluminum adhere to the glass, which when dry shows the marking in silvery lines that cannot be readily removed by friction.

## When France's President Travels.

The French President travels free on the railways during his official tour of France, but when the return journey is concluded, his secretary calculates what it would have cost if paid for at the regular rates, and this sum is handed over to be distributed among the poorest paid of the railway men.

## Capitals of the United States.

Lancaster was the capital of the United States from Sept. 27, 1777, to Sept. 26, 1777. The capital was also located for a time at Baltimore, York, Princeton, Annapolis and New York. In 1800 the seat of the Government was transferred permanently from Philadelphia to Washington.

## Vase Candelsticks.

The woman who is fond of novelties for her table will rejoice to learn that candelsticks are now made with vase pedestals. The holder for the wax taper rises from a little bowl in which flowers of ferns may be held.

## The Visible Stars.

The number of stars visible to the naked eye is less than six thousand. The number of stars visible through the largest telescope is probably not less than one hundred millions.

## An Underground City.

A subterranean city exists in Galicia, Austrian Poland, which contains a population of over 1,000 men, women and children, many of whom have never seen the light of day.

## Paris Has Popular Prices.

The theatres of Paris have popular representations on certain days, when the seats cost only a quarter, or half the usual price.

## English Travelers.

It is calculated that in moving about from one place to another the people of England spend about \$750,000 a day.

## LEGAL NOTICES.

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

HOLDING A SPECIAL TERM FOR ORPHANS' COURT BUSINESS.

In re Estate of

Wm. H. Taylor, No. 8648

Application having been made to the Supreme Court of the District of Columbia, holding a special term for Orphans' Court business, for probate of a last will and testament and codicils, and for letters of administration with will annexed on said estate, by Jupiter Taylor, praying that Henry E. Baker be appointed as Administrator, etc.

It is ordered this 5th day of April, 1903, that notice is hereby given to Samuel Taylor, and to all others concerned, to appear in said court on Friday, the 12th day of May, A. D. 1903, at 10 o'clock a. m., to show cause why said application should not be granted. This notice shall be published in The Washington Bee once in each of three successive weeks, before the return day therein mentioned, the first publication to be not less than thirty days before said return day.

By the Court.

A. C. Bradley, Justice.

Attest: I. N. McGil, Register of Wills.

Jno. R. Lynch and D. E. McCarty, Attorneys for Applicant.

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## CANNOT MIX.

Bishop Haygood said among other things that:

THE SENTIMENT IS IDEAL.

"Sentimentalism can neither reach nor save the negro. Neither can we save in a day. We must deal with him honestly, patiently, and perseveringly, just as Christ would deal with him. A wise religious and industrial education is the best for the negro. The negro is the natural laborer of the South. He must be taught lessons of industry, thrift, and economy. Some body during the 60's promised the negro 'forty acres of land and a mule.' He has waited a long time, but the forty acres and the mule have not yet reached him. He should be taught to do the utmost for self-support and his own advancement; for self-support brings dignity and respect to man."

"The negro must have their own houses, schools, colleges, and churches. They will take more interest in them and do more good through them. The mixing of the whites and negroes in schools, churches, and socially is simply out of the question, and no one but a fanatic who fails to understand the negro problem will advocate such. It is foolishness to talk about social equality between the whites and the negroes. It is impossible from the present conditions, by all the laws of heaven and earth you cannot make two things equal when they are not equal. The negro is inferior to the white man socially, intellectually, and morally. I do not know that he will ever become the white man's equal—he may or he may not. However, he can become more intelligent, thrifter, more cultured, more skillful, and better morally and spiritually than he is to-day. There is room for improvement, and the whole history of the negro for the last thirty years shows that he has wonderful capacity for improvement. All good people in the South will hail with delight anything that will help the negro to become wiser, more industrious, more economic, nobler in manhood, purer in life, and stronger in the Christian faith."

## TESTS FOR INSANITY.

Rule of Thumb Methods Which Very Frequently Fail.

Most people imagine, said a nerve specialist, that doctors have some infallible test by which they can detect insanity immediately. Of course, that's all nonsense. There are many odd methods of diagnosing such cases, however. In locomotor ataxia, the patient cannot walk with his eyes shut. In incipient paresis there is difficulty in articulating particular letters, and one famous scientist used to make his patients say "national intelligence." A man with an incipient case of the disease can't pronounce these words distinctly to save his soul. Another very eminent practitioner employed "truly rural" for the same purpose. If you have paresis I would advise you not to try to say "truly rural" at least not in company.

"The 'knee-jerk' test is well known to physicians. To apply it the legs are crossed and a sharp blow struck just below the knee of the limb that is swinging loose. If the subject is all right there will be a prompt reflex action; in other words, his foot will fly up in spite of all efforts to keep it quiet. If not, there is something wrong, and that reminds me of a tragic incident which occurred in a southern court not many years ago. A man was being examined, for insanity, and one of the lawyers made the experts the butt of a great deal of ridicule. He scoffed particularly at the knee-jerk test and asked to have it applied to himself. There was no reflex action, and the fact had a powerful effect on the jury, especially as the lawyer happened to be a man of brilliant attainments. After the trial was over he got to thinking about the matter, and in spite of his skepticism concluded to submit to a thorough private examination. It was made and discovered undeniable signs of locomotor ataxia, dooming him to a certain and lingering death.

## Queer Beliefs About Seven.

So numerous are the queer beliefs concerning the number seven that a narration of them all would fill a volume, but we may mention a few of them. From the very earliest ages the seven great planets were known and ruled this world and the dwellers in it, and their number entered into every conceivable matter that concerned man. There are seven days in the week, "seven holes" in the head for the master stars are seven," seven ages both for man and the world in which he lives. There were seven material heavens, and in the underworld described by Dante the great pagan dead who did not good enough for heaven or bad enough for hell reposed in a seven-walled and seven-gated city. There are seven colors in the spectrum and seven notes in the diatonic octave, and the "leading" note of the scale is the seventh. Be it noted that the seventh son is not always gifted with beneficent powers. In Portugal he is believed to be subject to the powers of darkness and to be compelled every Saturday evening to assume the likeness of an ass.

## Tilth in Porto Rico.

"The oysters you get in Porto Rico are small and have the coppery taste that the bivalves they furnish in Europe have," remarked E. M. Mercer of New York. "The fish, however, are very fine, and the fruits of the island are delicious. In fact, it is a country where human life is easily supported with very little labor. The expense of living to the natives is very light. The boys of the common class go naked till they are about ten years old. I think that the reports of native immorality have been greatly exaggerated. My own observation was that the people behaved with quite as much propriety as they do in our own country, where certainly the opportunities for a correct mode of life are superior, seeing that we enjoy a much higher standard of civilization. For an oppressed and tax ridden people the Porto Ricans do well, and there is little about them that calls for severe criticism."

## Small Fame for Spanish Actors.

Theatres in Spain have no programmes. A bill in the lobby sometimes gives the cast, but most of the actors remain unknown by name. The curtain is devoted to advertisements, and in Madrid theatres advertising cards are affixed with the numbers on the back of each seat.

## Workmen of Valencia.

The hours of work in the Calcutta jute mills are from 4:30 a. m. to 9 p. m., or 16½ hours per day. Saturdays included, and all repairs and cleaning of machinery have to be made on Sundays.

## Fasts of Jains.

In fasting feats the sect of Jains, in India, is far ahead of its rivals. Fasts of from thirty to forty days are very common, and once a year they are said to abstain from food for seventy-five days.

## Cooling a Warship.

The rate at which modern warships take in coal is simply marvelous. The Magnificent, a first-class British battleship in the Mediterranean, recently averaged over 160 tons per hour—a rate of nearly three tons a minute.

## Flowers in Tuscany.

Flowers are never used in Tuscany, but at Christmas and Easter all the walls of the cathedrals are decked with wonderful damask of almost priceless value.

## Child Wives.

The latest Government census in India showed 6,016,759 girls between five and nine years of age, who were already married, of whom 170,000 had become widows.

## Drafting of Spaniards.

Any Spaniard over the age of nineteen is liable to be called into military service for three years. By the payment of 1,500 pesetas (\$300) he can escape military duty.

## Deafness.

At least one-third of all people in middle life have one ear affected by deafness.

## Erewhonians.

Of 51,000 beweries in the world, 25,000 are in Germany.

## SHAVING IN PORTO RICO.

No Use for American Razors or the Customary Soap.

The natives of our new territory, Porto Rico, have no need to buy soap, for the wooded country abounds in plants whose leaves and bulbs supply most fully the place of that indispensable article. Among the best of these is the soap-tree, so called, though it is more a bush than a tree. Its bulb when rubbed on wet clothes makes a snow-white lather, which has an odor like brown Windsor soap. The Porto Ricans, who are all, from the highest to the lowest, great dandies in their way, make soap out of coconut oil and homemade lye—and a fine soap it is, smooth and fragrant. This coconut oil soap is used for shaving. When a man wishes to have a shave in the morning he starts out with his coconut shell cup, and his donkey tail brush and bottle. It is never any trouble to find an empty bottle in Porto Rico, Cuba, Jamaica, or almost any of the larger West India islands, even in remote spots in the mountains. At least twenty generations of thirsty people have lived there and thrown away bottles. The man carries no mirror; he is too poor to own such a luxury. Not one house in twenty in Porto Rico has even the very cheapest looking glass. But generously rich nature provides the mirror, as well as the soap. The man goes to some convenient pool in the mountainstream where the water is quite still—there is his mirror. He breaks his bottle on a stone, and deftly picks out a sharp piece of suitable size. Then he lathers his face profusely, and begins to scrape away with his piece of glass, which in his hands works as well as the best steel razor. A cut, or even a slight scratch, is extremely rare as a result of this al fresco form of shaving.

## Betrayed by a Postage Stamp.

Some folks always stamp their letters upside down for luck, said a postoffice inspector in a reminiscent mood, "and others put the stamp on the back, which makes the cancellation clerk forget his religion. I remember we caught a fellow once through the peculiar way he stamped a letter. He was wanted for friveling with the laws of Uncle Sam, but had skipped out, and couldn't be located. In looking over some of his correspondence I had noticed that he always put the stamp crosswise, so as to leave a small triangle of the envelope at the upper right hand corner. Why he did it I don't know, but the stamp was always in that one particular spot, and he was wanted with mathematical accuracy. One day I was in a certain Georgia town, and while loafing near the cancellation table at the postoffice noticed several letters stamped as I have described. Just on chance I took a memorandum of the address and postmark, which was Chattanooga, and happened to be in that place on the following week. I collared my man as he was inquiring for his mail. The letters I noticed turned out to have been addressed to his wife. When I told him how I got my pointer he was mad as blazes, and I guess he stamps his letters straight now—if he is out yet."

## Safety Paper.

A new kind of safety paper for banks etc., is announced, though the inventor's name does not appear. It is a foreign idea, one feature of the invention consisting in printing or otherwise impressing on the paper employed a plurality of sets of lines or marks, one or more of which sets are indelible and the remaining sets delible; these lines or marks are made so fine and so closely alternating or relatively disposed that, in ordinary observation with the naked eye, no single line or mark is distinguishable. Again, the indelible lines or marks are made of a color differing from though complementary to that of the delible lines or marks, so that, owing to their close juxtaposition, they will convey the impression of a color differing from those of either of the sets of lines or marks. Thus, any chemical action or erasure on such paper would, it is claimed, be at once discernible, and the shade made by the two color combinations would be hard to duplicate.

## Queer Bread.

The Swedes, as the people of Sweden are called, bake their rye bread only two or three times a year; and what a baking it is, to be sure! It lasts for a week or more, and how busy every one is! They do not bake this bread in loaves, but they make it in flat cakes about the size of a dinner-plate with a large hole in the middle.

## Artificial Wine.

About 250,000 gallons of artificial wine are being made from barley every year in a large factory in Hamburg. The medical profession in Germany thinks very highly of the wine, and recommends it in the hospitals of that country.

## Clay Pipes.

The British museum contains a very full collection of clay pipes, dating back as far as the sixteenth century. The custom of waxing the pipe to prevent it sticking to the lips was introduced by the Dutch about the year 1700.

## The Best Soldiers.

A foreign medical officer, speaking of soldiers, states that physical maturity does not occur till between the ages of twenty-three and twenty-five. Boys under twenty are almost sure to break down. The best armies are those with twenty-two years as the minimum.

## Gunpowder Test.

The test required of gunpowder of any and all classes is to give the projectile a muzzle velocity of 2,000 feet per second, with a pressure not greater than fifteen tons to the square inch in the powder chamber.

## Elephant Teeth.

Elephants have only eight teeth—two above and two below on each side. All elephants' "baby teeth" fall out when the animal is about fourteen years old, and a new set grows.

## The Atlantic Cable.

About three seconds are occupied in transmitting a message from one end of the Atlantic cable to the other. This is about seven hundred miles a second.



## A GREAT SOCIAL EVENT.

MRS. C. W. CHESTNUTT OF CLEVELAND, OHIO, ENTERTAINED—DISTINGUISHED GUESTS INVITED.

About one hundred cards were issued; by ex-Senator John P. Green and wife, in the honor of Mrs. C. W. Chestnutt of Cleveland, Ohio, Wednesday evening April 12, at the residence of the distinguished host and hostess, 1944 9th street, northwest. The reception was from 8 to 11 o'clock. At the hour designated the invited guests began to arrive and they continued till the hour of their departure. The guests were received by Mr. and Mrs. Green the genial and most pleasing host and hostess, who alternately presented to them the guest of honor Mrs. Chestnutt of Cleveland, Ohio, one of the best known ladies in the state. She occupied a position at the front of the double parlors and in a dignified and most agreeable manner received those who were presented to her and who had called to do her honor. The invited guests are connected with some of the highest society and best known people of this city. It was a social event that is long to be remembered. The ladies toilets were exquisite. This is the first reception that has been given by Mr. and Mrs. Green since their arrival in the city.

## THE CONGRESSIONAL LYCEUM.

A REPRESENTATIVE AUDIENCE PRESENT—GOOD MUSIC.

Sunday afternoon last was a "red letter" occasion at the Congressional Lyceum Odd Fellows hall, 1606 M st. n. w. By special request Miss Annie H. Burroughs read again her scholarly paper entitled, "The negro is not a factor in the American body politic." The audience was large, intelligent and representative. With more polish and earnestness if possible, Miss Burroughs reiterated and emphasized the reason given in her first paper, why the negro was not a factor in the political, social, industrial, financial, literary and religious world, a synopsis of Miss Burroughs' paper was published in the BEE of March 18th last.

Prof. J. W. Cromwell, principal of the Bannaker school, lead off in the warm discussion which followed. He highly complimented the essayist upon her rhetoric and able manner in which she had treated the subject. He thought however, that she was a little severe in her strictures and conclusions especially when it was considered that the race had not emancipated more than a generation. He concluded by saying that it was with profound regret that he was forced to observe to admit that her strictures regarding the immortality of the pulpit were in keeping with the facts. The next speaker was a tall, large-framed copper-colored gentleman of 70 summers named Rev. Williams, who in thundering tones discussed everything except the matter under consideration.

Mr. A. K. Brown observed that while nothing of consequence could be done without the male sex, he was forced to except too much that the essayist had said, Lieut. Toomey said that he was a living refutation of Miss Burroughs' statement that the negro was not a political factor, as he was appointed to his late lieutenantancy by reason of his political "pull."

Mr. R. W. Thompson of the Colored American, remarked that there were over 300 newspapers published by negroes and that the Afro-American press was a positive power in moulding public sentiment. Lawyer and Editor W. Calvin Chase heartily concurred in all that Miss Burroughs had said. He humorously observed that there was but one thing in which the negro was a very great and potent factor and that was "natural gas."

He referred to the many beautifully trimmed bonnets before him and a number of other things, including President Martin's gavel, all of which said he, were manufactured by white people. Among others who made addresses highly complimenting Miss Burroughs for the paper were Mr. Srs. L. C. Moore, C. W. White, L. Rouser, Searcy and L. G. Manly, editor of the Daily Record.

In her reply to the objections Miss Burroughs was frequently and loudly applauded and her references to Rev. Williams, Lieut. Toomey and Mr. A. K. Brown caused much merriment. Under the direction of Mr. Le Roy Harvey, the John Wesley choir rendered acceptably several selections and the solos by Miss Annie Payne and Mrs. Isabella Sims were of a high order.

Tomorrow, at 4 p. m., Thomas H. R. Clarke, late lieutenant and judge advocate of the 8th U. S. V., will read a paper on the phase of infantry work.

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THE SIDE

Never suspect a person with a cause and even if you have a right to suspect one of wrong doings in your business except you are directly concerned.

I don't like gossipers for they are always more or less fussy. Remember the old adage, "A dog that will bring a bone will bring a bone."

You should not speak of your own when you are not even a good dog for "good looks."

Your communication was not for publication even had it been acceptable.

Your amiable disposition is won for you a host of friends. Let any one get too deeply in your confidence. Women as well as men are liable to changes.

I would not advise you to take up your position except you are not in favor of marriages against consent.

You are too fickle minded; more reserve and steadfast, and your friends will think more of you.

The gushing girl is the one who can "catch" but cannot keep. It is silly to try to impress a person who is smart. Education and refinement will assert themselves in due effort.

It is bad taste for a girl to say to a young man on receiving introduction, "I am glad to meet him and it is equally absurd for her to say, on being introduced to him, "I have heard of you."

All anxiousness to meet again will be shown on the man's part.

You should keep your family to yourself, as home troubles interest any one but gossipers.

All candidates for the public must hereafter enter a complete examination.

I cannot say that I favor separations. Marrying is a very serious partnership and should not be taken lightly.

A refined lady shows by her acts that she has been well reared. It is not approve of any one blowing her horn all the time.

Dressing is very essential. It becomes any woman to be well dressed as it helps her manners.

Deception is stronger than truth. Watch the person who has too much friendship for a friend.

A flowered, foulard silk with a white silk will make a prettier costume. Pretty shirred chiffon mouline de soie can be bought for \$1.50 to \$3. Only a yard of this material will make a full front and will be cheaper than buying the silk and having it shirred. Have a lining of taffeta.

Girls of your age should be interested in books and not in boys. It is no time to answer inquirers of love.

So much are worn on hats that the pretty ones are hard to find. What is that is buncy, fluffy and will be added to a hat. The idea of wearing too much on a hat, is out of question, that is if you want to be fashionable.

Remember the fact that a girl who is fashionable is not always stylish.

Yes, the ushers at the Lewis wedding put in a grand appearance. It was a well managed affair.

Dancing is not just the right thing for a Christian to do, especially if it is against the discipline of the church. I see no more harm in dancing than in playing croquet. There are some who preach against the use of all kinds of games. I fail to see the consistency.

Blue-gray will be the leading shade.

Have your old red silk dress in plain grandeur. The figured ones will grow old.

The meanest kind of a deceiver is one who will do a wrong with the intention of the blame resting on some else.

If you are satisfied with your marriage all others ought to be. Yes, the public schools are a home for all old maids.

It is well to have a good reliable associate. It is not always to tell all you know.

Never believe all that is told. People may tell you that they will in their power to help you, but how often we are disappointed.



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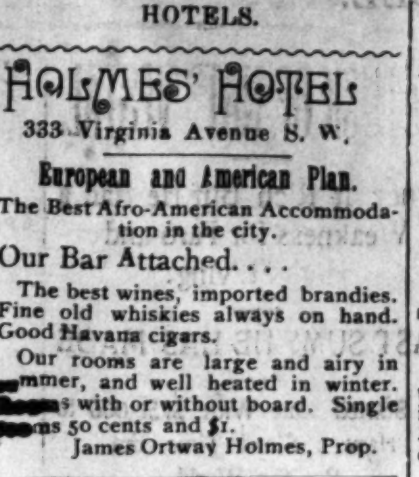
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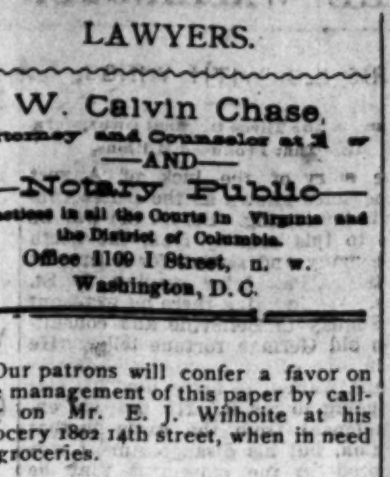
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## CITY BRITTS.

Mrs. Thomas Jones is sick at her home in Madison street, n. w.

Dr. C. W. Childs of South Washington is actively engaged in benefiting the people in that section.

Mrs. Brown, formerly matron at the Freedmen's Hospital will remain in the city.

The school site for the colored industrial school may be referred to Superintendent Cook for settlement. The trustees are divided.

Prof. H. P. Montgomery is still dangerously ill at his home. The board of trustees talk about appointing his successor.

The Evening Star's new building will be a gem.

The President will appoint a new city postmaster shortly.

Register Lyons, wife and children are located in the city.

There are several dozen bids for the colored industrial school site in the hands of the Commissioners.

Editor T. Thomas Fortune is at the Southern Hotel. He may locate in the West.

No colored man need apply for a bailiff's position in the Police Court.

The Attorney General will order an investigation into the methods of the Police Court convictions.

The recent vagrancy law passed by Congress will be tested in the Supreme Court.

Recorder Cheatham will speak at the 2nd Baptist church tomorrow afternoon.

The attractions at the Academy last night was Phil Sheridan's City Sports Company, and the performance was one of the best of its kind ever seen here. The burlesques with which the show opened and closed were very handsomely costumed and extremely lively in both dialogue and action.

The comedians were good, and Harry Stewart as Ikey Rosenfelt made a hit. The vaudeville portion of the program presented some specialties that were really new and some quite startling, and there was hardly a number on the list that was not accorded. There were a number of taken patriotic features. Pictures of Dewey and Hobson were cheered and the audience cut loose when a dozen or more of the company appeared in military uniform and executed some difficult marches and the manual of arms to the music of patriotic airs.—*Providence Telegram*.

## SHOP LIFTERS.

A WHITE WOMAN ADMITS HER GUILT, BUT THE JUDGE WANTS TIME TO CONSIDER. A COLORED WOMAN DENIES HER GUILT, BUT IS CONVICTED AND FINED \$5.

Mrs. Annie Norris, a white woman, charged with shoplifting and who admitted that she stole over four hundred dollars worth of goods, and whose personal bonds were taken in the Criminal Court some time ago, in several cases of grand larceny was brought up for sentence in the Police Court on Monday before his honor, Judge Chas. F. Scott, for sentence upon nineteen cases of petty larceny was not sentenced, because the judge was unable at that time to dispose of the cases. The public is watching this case with a great deal of interest, because a colored woman was tried sometime ago before the same judge upon similar charges, but values being a great deal less, was given over 28 months in jail. Judge Scott said that he would notify Col. Hay her counsel what disposition he would make of the several cases, as he was not at present prepared to do so. In the same court Monday morning before the same judge Bettie Ford, a colored woman, was charged with stealing a 40 or 50 cent breast pin at the Palais Royal. She denies the charge. Mr. H. I. Gregory in whose family she had worked for seven years, testified that his wife had left several hundred dollars worth of jewelry, money and other valuables in the reach of the defendant and none of these had been missing. The judge in disposing of the case said that the people's interest must be protected. It was for the good of the public that such people should be punished. In the case of Mrs. Norris, who admitted that she had stolen several thousand dollars worth of goods will no doubt be severely dealt with, notwithstanding the fact that the several prosecuting witnesses do not want her punished.

## MUSICAL NOTES.

The Amphion Glee Club under the direction of Prof. J. Henry Lewis has achieved a splendid reputation since its formation. On many notable occasions this fine musical body was in attendance to render special music.

Afro-American talent will be in much evidence at the Academy next week as the famous singer, "Black Patti" and her troubadour are to run one entire week. Ernest Hogan the funny comedian will keep the house in laughter from the commencement to the finale.

Down at Zion Baptist church, Rev. Howard, pastor. The choir under the leadership of Prof. Scott deserves special praise for their Easter music program. Prof. Daniels the organist also comes in for a great deal of praise.

At Plymouth Congregational church last Sunday evening Miss Bertie Mason another one of our young promising singers rendered a solo in splendid voice.

The Hoffman concert at the Academy of Music on the evening of Friday June 9th promises to be the musical event of the season. The entire public should be in attendance to hear the sixty promising young singers.

## MR GALLOWAY'S AMBITION

It Was Curbed By His Uncle's Tale of Sim Clipp, Sim's Boy, and a Shark.

"When I was a lad," said Tom Galloway, "I was eager to become one of those who go down to the sea in smacks and trawl for cod, but about that time an uncle of mine began to bring to me tales that caused my eagerness to lag somewhat, and I never knew, from personal contact, the perils and hardships of the cod fisherman's life.

"That uncle of mine was a sailor, an all-around sailor. It was all the same to him whether he sailed as deck hand on a ferryboat, steersman on a raft or able seaman before the mast. Besides my eagerness to make in cod fish off the Banks, I inclined toward harpooning whales in the North Sea. When my uncle came home one time he said he had just got back from a three-years' cruise off Greenland, catching whales. I told him I thought I would go with him when he went for another cruise. He said all right. There would be a good chance for me, as they were three men short.

"All eat up by sharks last trip," he said.

"I didn't say much more about going after whales to uncle just then, but his memory seemed to be refreshed by my bringing the subject up and he became reminiscent.

"A curious thing about it was," said he, "that by rights we should have lost five of the crew. Sim Clipp, the cook, took a fever, and when he kicked the bucket we tied an old grindstone and a rusty blubber axe to him to give him weight and tossed him overboard. As poor Sim's body struck the water a big shark came up, opened his jaws wide enough to take in a barrel, and down into that shark's maw went Sim. I know it wasn't just the right thing to do," said my uncle, "but as I see Sim go into the shark I couldn't help saying to myself that if Sim wasn't any better than some of the grub he used to dish up for us, that shark would be sorry it took him in before Sim had been in his stomach ten minutes. I thought maybe the shark might get away with the grindstone and the axe, but Sim would puzzle its digestion, sure.

"Sim's boy Jack was one of us, and when he sees his father pass in between the shark's jaws he gave a yell and jumped overboard. The shark hadn't got his jaws shut yet, and the boy went straight in after his father. I remember," said my uncle, "that the captain was as mad as thunder, and said that he might just as well have scurvy the worst kind aboard ship as to have sharks gobbling his crew, this making five that had gone to make victuals for 'em, and he ordered us to keep a lookout for sharks and make way with every one we saw.

"About an hour after the cook and his boy disappeared an old leviathan of a shark came up right alongside of us and looked wishful. We baited a shark hook with blubber, and in half an hour had the old manueater fast. We got him aboard by hard work, butchered him and cut him open. And what should we find inside of him but Sim Clipp and his boy. We had captured their shark. I said then, and always will say," said my uncle, "that the shark discovered what a job he had on his stomach and actually followed us to get caught and be saved a lot of future misery.

"But the funniest part of the whole matter was that Sim and his boy were both alive! We had made a mistake about Sim being dead. He was only in a trance when we cast him in the sea, and he had gone down the shark's throat and come to just as his boy went thumping in against him. Sim and the youngster held a council, and what do you think they were doing when we cut the shark open? Rigging up the grindstone to sharpen the axe on, so they could cut a hole and get out!"

"My uncle left home again soon after that visit to go on another cruise, but my folks wouldn't let me go with him. So I was prevented from trawling in tempestuous seas for codfish and harpooning whales in boreal zones. Yet, bobbing for bullheads off in the stilly night and spearing suckers in the purling brook ain't so bad, after all, and I have done my share at both of 'em."

## She Buried the Wrong Box.

It is not often that a man's funeral is funny enough to make his near relatives laugh. This, however, did happen at the funeral of Dr. Kellogg, of Ashland, Ohio. The Kellogg family is an old and respected one in town, and, as often happens in old families of small towns, is connected with nearly every other family in the town.

Dr. Kellogg died in New York. He was a widower, without any children, and left orders in his will for his body to be cremated and the ashes deposited in the grave of his wife at Ashland. Mrs. Patterson, a cousin, was directed to carry out this request. The death of the doctor cast a gloom over the whole big family of kinsfolk. Mrs. Patterson telegraphed directions for the cremation of the body, and watched anxiously for the arrival of the remains. One morning the expressman drove up with the box. A funeral was held and attended by Ashland in a body. The wife's grave was opened, the box deposited solemnly and the mourners dispersed.

A few days afterward Mrs. Patterson received a small zinc box, about the size of the first. She was horrified to find that this last box undoubtedly contained the ashes of her cousin, Dr. Kellogg. She knew, of course, at once that something else, no telling what, had been deposited in the cemetery in lieu of the doctor. A quiet investigation was made. It was found that another Mrs. Patterson in Ashland, a sister-in-law, had sent a dress to a dye firm in New York. The box containing this dress had been deposited in the grave of the late Mrs. Kellogg.

Some sailors of H. M. river gunboats Heron and Jackdaw, narrate a gruesome story in connection with the recent operations of the Royal Niger Company's troops against the towns and country of Ilah.

It was found that the native fighters had made flags from the skins of soldiers whom they had slain in battle. These sickening trophies of the battlefield were captured from the Ilah people by the Niger Company's troops.

## RICHES WITH WINGS.

Fortune of the Three Original Owners of a Mine That Produced Millions.

The story of the luck of August Rische, once known as the Dutch cobbler, is interesting. Before the war he came to this country from the north of Germany and settled for a time at Pittsburgh, Pa., later moving to St. Louis. While living there he went out one Sunday to Belleville and consulted an old German fortune teller. He was in love with his employer's daughter, and wanted to know how his suit was going to result. He got no encouragement from the cards in that direction, but his disappointment was tempered by the statement that he would marry some one else and be the father of a fine family. Before that he was going to result. He got no encouragement from the cards in that direction, but his disappointment was tempered by the statement that he would marry some one else and be the father of a fine family. Before that he was going to result. He got no encouragement from the cards in that direction, but his disappointment was tempered by the statement that he would marry some one else and be the father of a fine family.

Sure enough, when the war broke out he enlisted and served all through without a wound, and at its close freighted across the plains to Denver, an dthen up into the mountains, where discoveries of gold were being made. After spending all his money in vain search for the precious metal, he got out his tools, built him a bench and established himself as the leading shoe maker of Fairplay, a mining camp a dozen miles from Leadville. It wasn't such a bad business to be in, for a pair of new boots were worth from \$20 to \$25, and patches cost in proportion. But it cost a lot to live. In the same town was another shoemaker, George T. Hook, also afflicted with the mining fever. The two cobblers formed a partnership to hunt for gold when not sticking to their last. The great trouble with them was that they could never get enough together to pay their expenses while out prospecting for any length of time. Out in California there was a storekeeper named Horace A. W. Tabor who had done pretty well in business, and was in the habit of grub-staking prospectors. The shoemakers applied to him for a supply of provisions to take out with them, and he was given the usual understanding that he would have a third interest in any mineral they should find.

Wary of going over the ground around the gulch, the shoemakers went further back into the hills. A mile from the gulch and about the same distance from the future location of Leadville, on what is known as Fryer Hill, they found surface indications of the mine. Little by little they started sinking a shaft. For days and weeks they dug through a peculiar kind of yellow rock that had the appearance of decomposed limestone. It was something new to them and they attached no value to the stuff, but kept digging deeper in the hope of striking quartz containing rich mineral. When they had reached twenty-six feet without a sign of pay ore they were prepared to quit and seek a new location.

"Before I throw it up," said Rische, "I'm going to find out what this yellow stuff is we have been working through and what's in it."

Every miner knows the result of the assay which made known the discovery of enormous riches in silver in the form of said carbonates. Rische named the mine the Little Pittsburgh. The first wagon load of mineral taken out netted \$200, and in a short time the mine was producing from 75 to 100 tons of ore a week, yielding a profit of \$8,000. The fame of the mine became so great that thousands rushed to the new fields from all over the country, and Leadville sprung up as if by magic. Having realized considerable money from the sale of ore, the cautious Hook sold out to Rische and Tabor for \$98,000, netting him a total of \$125,000. Rische held on a while longer, and then sold his half to J. B. Chaffee and D. B. Moffatt for \$262,000. His whole profit was \$300,000 in round figures. Tabor was the last to sell, and Chaffee and Moffatt paid him a cool million dollars for the other half.

Tabor invested his money in Leadville land and mining properties. At the time he was divorced from his first wife his property as scheduled in court was valued at \$9,000,000. In January, 1897, the last piece of his property was sold to satisfy a mortgage. Millionaire W. S. Stratton staked him to the extent of \$15,000 to develop some mining property in Boulder, Col., and he was working on the property when Senator E. O. Wolcott had him appointed Postmaster of Denver. Hook purchased \$100,000 Government bonds and has \$50,000 invested in a 160-acre ranch near Loveland, Col. He lives on the interest of his money. Rische's fortune disappeared in wildcat schemes and confidence loans.

## The Old Miner's Tale.

"I notice by reading the newspapers that some medical fellow over in France has invented a serum or something of the sort that is a sure cure for snake bites," remarked an old Colorado miner, "and now I suppose that people will go crazy over this discovery. Perhaps it is well enough that they should, and perhaps it is a good thing that this discovery has been made, but up in the mountains we have an antidote that is just as sure a cure as any one that this fellow can concoct. This man's antidote has to be injected within three hours after the snake stops biting or the man is dead. With my antidote you don't do any injecting, but instead you do imbibing. The antidote of which I speak is good whiskey, and the bigger the snake the bigger the antidote. In proof of this let me illustrate. Six years ago I was working a prospect up near Silver Plume, and one day while picking around the rocks a big rattler nipped me on the hand. I hurried back to camp and drained a quart bottle and inside of half an hour was at work and did not suffer any bad effects of the liquor or the snake bite. The next summer I was bitten by a rattlesnake not more than half as large as the one with which I came in contact the previous year and again I drained a quart bottle. While the bite did not produce any serious result, I was as drunk as a fool for three days, so that now I feel safe in saying that the bigger the snake the bigger the antidote is required. This antidote of mine is not very expensive. You can buy it most any place in a mining camp and as yet I have never heard of a case where it failed to do its work."

## THE LUCK OF NATE VESTAL.

Struck It Rich But He Had a Weakness for Faro and High Living.

VAST SUMS HE HAS MADE

He Started Out With \$750,000 to Have a Good Time and See the World.

His Experience in New York's Wall Street Where He Dropped \$300,000 in a Few Days—Investment in Street Cars Which Cost Him \$50,000—Other Schemes Which Helped to Diminish His Pile.

"Some men's luck never deserts them," said A. J. Hilton the other night. "There's old Nate Vestal, who went broke after making enough to keep him in whiskey and cigars a thousand years and who struck it rich again.

"When I lived out in Montana we pointed out old Vestal as a shining example of the ups and downs of life in the mines. With Vestal it had been pretty much all down until he struck a rich lead near Helena, which he named the Penobscot. Up to that time life had had little but hard-bip for Vestal, for he was a prospector and lived principally on hope and the none too generous grub stakes he could squeeze out of the speculative Helena merchants. The old man occasionally would find a rich pocket, either in placer ground or quartz, and while his money lasted he would have a good time. In those days the only bank Vestal knew was the one kept by old King Faro, and when he made a deposit there it was for all time to come with no interest.

"Put 'em on the high card," Vestal would say when the dealer had raked in all but his last stack of blues, and if he won his last bet he would begin anew on this system, and if he lost he would pack up his cayuse and start for the mountains.

"Vestal was a hard worker, and he knew the hills. That makes little difference, however, for a prospector's success depends, they all say, on his luck. Vestal worked for years about the Belt mountains, near Helena, and in the main range itself before he struck it. Seventeen miles away from Helena, and almost on top of the main divide, he found a promising lead, which he followed down by a few feet. The vein widened out, and there was pay ore almost from the grass roots.

"Vestal had been chasing rainbows all his life before, but he found the pot of gold sure enough when he opened up the Penobscot. It was a free mill, and Vestal was so rich that he put up a little arastra and pounded out enough gold in a week or two to put up a small stamp mill.

"After he put the stamp mill up things came easy for Vestal. He had money to burn, and he burned it. One night he came into Helena on the stage with \$30,000 worth of amalgam from a couple of clean-ups of his mill. The amalgam was in a sack, and when the stage drew up to Paine's hotel Vestal dumped it off into the road beside the curb. Just then an old acquaintance stepped up, and a drink at the nearest bar was the natural result. Other drinks followed, and when Vestal suddenly remembered his sack of amalgam it was 4 o'clock in the morning. The gold was just where it had been thrown early in the evening before, as no one who had seen the sack suspected its value. It was put in the hotel, there weren't any safes in Helena, then—and Vestal continued his celebration.

"When Vestal had taken out several hundred thousand dollars from the Penobscot he sold the mine to an English syndicate for \$500,000 cash. With \$750,000 in his possession he was suddenly seized with a desire to see a little of the world. He went to New York, of course. Some one explained Wall street to him and a week later he dropped \$200,000 on the stock market. His plunging attracted some attention, and he was not lacking in advisers. In trying to recover his money Vestal lost \$100,000 more. Then he became interested in a patent street car, which was to be tried first in Syracuse. That experiment, in the course of a few months, cost him \$50,000. Some one sold him stock in a linsseed oil mill, and that, too, cost him money.

"Vestal was disappointed in New York. He went to Philadelphia, where his extravagant mode of living brought him more notices in the newspapers. Finally he landed in Washington, where, through the influence of the money he displayed, he was admitted to a pretty fast set. He undertook to show the Congressmen how to play poker, and for a short time he made money. Then his luck changed, and after a few weeks of rare sport he found he had but \$40,000 of his original pile left.

"The strangest thing about it is that Vestal stopped gambling long enough to count his \$40,000, but he did. He wasn't satisfied with the sport he had had and resolved to go to Paris. Vestal knew his failings, and with a foresight born of experience he purchased a round trip ticket to Paris, and deposited enough money to insure his return to Montana for the trip abroad. Old Vestal didn't do things by halves in Paris. He blew his money and had a wild, billiarious time while the long green held out. When he went broke he returned to New York and left at once for Helena.

"Vestal had his taste of high life twenty years ago. Since then he worked for years as a common miner at \$3.50 a day in the same mine he sold for \$500,000 cash. Then he took to placer mining, and worked ground a few miles south of Helena. A Montana paper says that old Vestal located a claim 120 miles from St. Michaels, and that the pay streak runs \$150 to the pan. It looks as though Nate Vestal might again visit Paris. He struck it rich again, and you can bet that blue chips, and blue chips only, go with him."

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